

Claim No. 153.

Under Article 11. Treaty of 11th June 1866.
with Creek Indians.

The undersigned, "Mary Ann Grayson,"
Aged about 40. A Freedwoman of the Creek Nation,
and Widow of Jake Bruner, deceased; Being duly
sworn and examined, deposes and says: Whilst
living at her home, on Lion Creek, near North Fork
Tombigbee Creek Nation, with her (now deceased) husband,
and sometime in August 1863, she was compelled
by the presence of the Rebels under General Cooper, to
fly from and abandon the same; that her husband
had been caught by the Rebels, and was bound, a
prisoner, for five days, before he succeeded in effecting
his escape - the Rebels wanting to carry him South,
into Texas, with other negroes whom they had taken -
That she went to Gibson, with her husband, who was
taken sick soon after reaching there, and died -
that this deponent is the sole and only legal claim-
ant of her husband's estate, there being no children
now living, by her marriage with him - And
this deponent further says, that: at the time of the
flight of herself and husband, as aforesaid, they
jointly owned and possessed, and necessarily
abandoned and lost all the property hereinafter
named, and never afterwards recovered the
same, or any part of the same: ~~~~~

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To say:

17.	Seven horses.	valued at	\$ 280.00
30.	Thirty Milch Cows & Calves @ \$15 each		450.00
2.	Two Yoke Steers	@ \$30. yoke	60.00
100	One hundred Hogs.	@ \$3. each	300.00
200	Two hundred bushel Corn	@ \$1. bush	200.00
	House and Kitchen furniture &c.		100.00
	Garden Vegetables and Poultry		50.00
	Making a total value of	\$	1440.00
	fourteen hundred and forty dollars.		

Further this deponent saith not.

May Ann Grayson.

her
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me at the Creek
Agency, Okla. this 12th day of November A.D. 1869.

J. P. O'Connell
Notary Public. Alt. Sup. Ind. Affs.
Southern District

The undersigned, Harry Island, and
George C. Gilroy, Freedmen of the Creek Nation,
and loyal refugees, being jointly sworn & examined,
(in the English language) depose and say They are
not interested in the claim of the above named Widar
Grayson in any pecuniary manner whatever; that
they have heard the foregoing Affidavit read to them
and know its contents to be true and correct in
every particular as circumstantially stated. That
they know of their own knowledge, the widow and her

deceased husband, at the time of their flight, did own and possess, a good many Cows and Calves, and five to ten horses, and "heap" of hogs and Corn, but do not know the precise number or quantities, but believe the same, as set forth in her deposition to be true. Further these deponents do not say.

Harry Island

George C. Gilroy

his
mark
his
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me, at the Creek Agency Ok, this 12th day of November A.D. 1869

J. P. O'Connell
St. B. Ok. Inf. Asst. Supt. Ind. Affrs,
Southern Division

Awards

The loss of property specified above is deemed established by the foregoing testimony. Also the status of claimant. The amount claimed, however, is, in some instances, considered excessive. Upon inquiry, it is found the values of the different kinds of property, at the time the loss occurred, ruled as follows: -

Horses. -	\$15.00 Each
Cows & calves. -	8.00 "
Steers. Yokes of. -	30.00 "
Hogs. -	2.00 "
Corn - per bushel. -	.50 "

and for the following one-half the claimed value: -

House & Kitchen furniture. -	\$50.00
Garden Vegetables & Poultry. -	25.00

In consideration of these, and all other facts
attainable bearing upon the case, we believe it
just and equitable to award this claimant -
Mary Ann Grayson - Seven hundred and eighty
dollars. -

\$780⁰⁰
100

J. B. Hayes

Brevet Major General U. S. Army.
Supt. Indian Affairs. Southern Superintendency

F. A. Smith

Captain U. S. Army.
Creek Agency.